

Remarks

Heading have been added to the specification in a manner as suggested.

On page 1 lines 15-18 and in paragraph 0037 a conventional bleed screw 14 is described as having an axial duct 15 opening to the outside. The functional operation is further described in paragraph 0037 as being backed out of the duct to allow liquid to flow through 15a and escape from bore E. Since applicant is not claiming such a bleed screw it would appear that one of ordinary skill in the art would know about such a device and no further explanation would be necessary.

Figure 5 of the drawings have been labeled as being Prior Art. However, only the bleed screw 14 should be considered as prior art with respect to the process as now claimed in achieving a desired result achieved by the present invention.

Claims 1-10 have been cancelled and new claims 11-13 written to define over the prior art and in particular the teachings and disclosure set forth in U.S. Patent 4,318,460.

Claim 11 recites a process for initially filling a bore in a housing of a hydraulic apparatus in a circuit with liquid and thereafter maintaining a level of liquid in said circuit. During the initial filling a first duct is sealed by a solid set screw in a first orifice and vacuum initially connected to the bore through a second orifice and pressurized fluid thereafter present to the bore through the second orifice to fill the bore and circuit with hydraulic liquid. Under normal circumstances this filling takes place during the manufacture of a vehicle equip with the hydraulic apparatus. Unfortunately at times this initial filling is not sufficient and once a vehicle is presented to the public the brakes do not respond in a desired manner only then in the process continued by thereafter removing the solid set screw from the first orifice to allow liquid and any air remaining in the bore to flow from the bore.

This specific two step process in assuring that only liquid is present in the bore of a hydraulic apparatus and circuit is not suggested in the prior art.

Claim 12 further recites the step of inserting a bleed screw having an axial duct into the first orifice to restrict the flow of liquid from the bore.

Claims 13 recites the steps of removing the bleed screw and replacing it with the solid set screw once the liquid and any air has been removed through the first orifice.

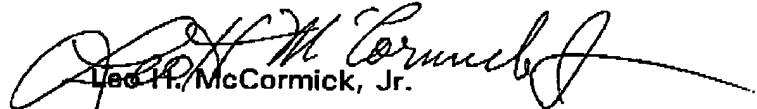
Clearly the steps in claims 12 and 13 are not suggested by the prior art.

A new abstract has been presented.

Applicant has responded to the office action in a manner to bring this invention to a position for receipt of a notice of allowance. In conclusion, this amendment places this application in condition for issuance.


Respectively Submitted

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